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SUBJECT: USNS BARTLETT CLEARANCE REQUEST, 20-25 MAY 1977

REF: STATE 70429

1. USNS BARTLETT (T-AGOR 13), AN OCEANOGRAPHIC RESEARCH VESSEL OPERATED BY THE MILITARY SEALIFT COMMAND FOR THE NAVAL OCEANOGRAPHIC OFFICE (NAVOCEANO), IS PLANNING TO CONDUCT MARINE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH IN THE TERRITORIAL WATERS OFF MARTINIQUE. FLOW AND PERIODIC OSCILLATIONS OF VOLUME TRANSPORT, THERMAL STRUCTURE AND ITS VARIABILITY, CIRCULATION CAUSED BY PILING UP OF WATER AGAINST THE  
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LESSER ANTILLES, VERTICAL PERTURBATIONS, WAKE TURBULENCE, AND RATE OF MIXING WILL BE STUDIED.

2. THREE CURRENT METERS WILL BE PLACED IN THE STRAIT BETWEEN MARTINIQUE AND ST. LUCIA. ADDITIONALLY, ONE OCEAN STATION WILL BE OCCUPIED UTILIZING A SOUND VELOCITY/ SALINITY, TEMPERATURE, DEPTH (SV/STD) METER AND WATER

SAMPLE BOTTLES. AT EACH CURRENT METER STATION TEMPERATURE AND SALINITY MEASUREMENTS WILL BE TAKEN. THE CURRENT METER ARRAYS WILL BE RECOVERED BETWEEN SEPT. AND DEC., DEPENDING UPON THE AVAILABILITY OF A SHIP. A STATION LOCATION CHART WILL BE FORWARDED SHOWING STATION LOCA-

TIONS.

3. BARTLETT IS AN UNARMED, WHITE-HULLED SHIP WITH A CREW OF 26 AND SCIENTIFIC PARTY OF 8. SHIP'S CAPTAIN IS JOHN AHRENS. PARTICIPATION BY TWO FRENCH SCIENTISTS IS WELCOME AND ALL DATA RESULTS WILL BE FREELY SHARED.

4. ACTION: EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO SEEK CLEARANCE FOR USNS BARTLETT TO CONDUCT MARINE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH IN FRENCH TERRITORIAL WATERS DURING 20-25 MAY 1977.  
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